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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Antonio BOSETTO et al.) Group Art Unit: 1723
Application No. 09/869,712) Examiner: J. Kim
Filed: October 9, 2001)
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PREPARING)
A MEDICAL FLUID)

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the final Office Action dated January 22, 2004, and pursuant to
37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on
page 3 of this Amendment.

Remarks follow the amendments sections of this paper.

Attachments to this Amendment include (1) a substitute Abstract and (2) a copy
of the Request for Acknowledgment of Receipt of Priority Document and Form
PCT/IB/304, filed on April 29, 2002.